

TO WHAT ENDS

The Democratic Managers in This State are Going, in the

ATTEMPT TO SAVE THEMSELVES.

Despairing of Carrying the State by Fair Means, They Resort

TO METHODS MOST DISHONORABLE

No Longer a Campaign of Education With Them.

THE ISSUES THROWN TO THE WINDS

And a Campaign of Prejudice and Falsehood Substituted--The Managers at Charleston Now Adopt Means to Prevent the Full Republican Vote Being Polled--They Know They are Beaten and in Their Desperation They Will Adopt Every Method to Keep Republican Votes From the Polls--Money Used Lavishly--"Colonization" Schemes Galore--How Faulkner's Plan Works Out--Schemes to Get Voters Out of the State--Preparing to Cry "Fraud" if the State Goes Republican--Intimidation of Colored Voters in Mercer and McDowell Counties--False Charges of Illegal Voting Resorted to.

The desperate Democratic campaign of hate and falsehood in this state this year has scarcely ever been equalled in any state in the Union. The legitimate issues of the presidential canvass have been almost wholly ignored by the managers, who have seen West Virginia slipping away from them through a discussion of the tariff and currency questions, and to divert the attention of the people from the real issues, have raised false issues, issues that never had any existence or have been long since dead, to create partisan and race hatred and prejudice for the purpose of holding in line old-time Democrats who have studied the economic questions involved in the canvass, and are on the point of breaking away from the old moss-back Democratic doctrines; who have witnessed the industrial development of the county in general, and of West Virginia in particular, under the Republican American policy of protection, and are about to vote for a continuance of that policy.

Failing by argument and a fair discussion of these questions to hold the state in line, the Democratic managers, speakers and newspapers have appealed to these old time prejudices, with what success will be determined next Tuesday.

But the managers, those who run the campaign from the Democratic headquarters at Charleston, have gone further than this. The "force" bill and "negro domination" bugaboo to frighten the 172,000 white voters into thinking they would be dominated by 9,000 colored voters in the event of a Republican success; the "mixed school" lie, perpetrated by William MacCorkle, who is the Democratic candidate for governor, and echoed by every school house stump in the back districts; the "negro colonization" boomerang, for which Senator Faulkner is responsible, have all served their purpose. The managers, however, those who are engineering the inside of the Democratic campaign, the part Virginia do not see, are resorting to more despicable measures to keep the state in the Democratic campaign. Theirs is not a campaign of education, but one of boodle, of schemes that would make an honest man blush for shame, of methods so dishonorable that if done openly and above board would cause the decent element of the party to rise in their indignation and rebuke the men who are so lax to political respectability as to adopt them.

THE PLAN OF CAMPAIGN.

The INTELLIGENCER has already shown how Senator Faulkner bargained with one Lindsey to entrap leading Republicans into endorsing a legitimate colonization scheme that he might afterward make it appear that they were engaged in a plan to africanize the state for political purposes. This was a part of the campaign of hatred and prejudice to divert the attention of voters from the vital principles of governmental policy, on which he knew West Virginia was Republican. Mr. MacCorkle's "mixed school" cry has also been shown up. It has been told how he was telling the people that if the Republicans get in power colored and white children will sit side by side in the public schools, when he knew he was uttering a demagogic falsehood, since such a thing as a mixed school is impossible in this state under the constitution, and no man, white or black, is in favor of such an educational policy. This also was part of the campaign of hatred and prejudice.

Then there is also the "bayonets at the polls" cry--a cry without a particle of foundation; the "calamity howl," by which it is sought to array labor against capital, and convince honest working-men that they are the most oppressed, God-forsaken people on earth, and that the country is on the verge of ruin. All these are a part of that peculiar plan of detaching the attention of the unthinking masses from the real issues of the canvass.

SECRET PLANS.

These things the INTELLIGENCER has kept constantly before its readers. It has had little to say concerning the secret plans of the desperate Democratic managers--the methods of deception, of fraud, of dishonest efforts to cheat for a second time the majority of the voters of West Virginia out of the fruits of victory.

So skillfully have the conspirators worked that, until the plans began to develop themselves to the eyes of Republicans who have been placed on guard in the southern portion of the state, where the dishonorable methods

are to be carried out, it has been almost impossible to give them to the public. West Virginia is a Republican state. The Democratic managers know this. If she does not cast her vote for Harrison and Reid and elect the full Republican state ticket next Tuesday it will be because the most despicable political tactics ever adopted by any party in West Virginia have been successful.

AN EFFORT TO PREVENT A FREE VOTE.

That there is a deliberate scheme to prevent a full Republican vote on the 8th instant there can be no doubt. The proofs which have come to the INTELLIGENCER are convincing. Scores of letters have been received by this newspaper, and by the Republican state committee, with information which is almost incredible, and yet they are from men whose names are synonyms of truth and honor.

These reports, which the INTELLIGENCER is willing to vouch for as authentic, confirm some statements that have already been made, and convey information of new schemes to prevent a free, fair and honest Republican vote. They tell of attempts to corrupt Republican election officers with money. Republican trainmen on at least one big railroad which runs through the Third district are to be kept on duty on election day and deprived of the sacred privilege of voting, while Democratic trainmen will be given an opportunity to vote. Republican negroes in Mercer, McDowell, Kanawha and other counties where the colored population is large are to be arrested on election day on all sorts of pretexts, as was done by Democratic United States marshals in Wheeling in 1888, not only to prevent them from voting, but to intimidate other negroes by making them afraid to go to the polls. Armed men with Winchester are to be stationed in Mercer and McDowell counties to menace the negroes and keep them from the polls under fear of bodily harm, except such negroes as can be voted by the Democracy. It is planned to import men, both white and black, from Virginia, Kentucky and Ohio to vote in southern border counties. As a cover to this scheme posters have been prepared by the Democratic committee to post at voting places, stating that it is a Republican scheme to create the impression that no man can vote unless he is registered, and assuring Democrats that they can "wear in" their votes.

CAPPING THE CLIMAX.

Chairman Dawson, of the state Republican committee, recently made an apt comparison when he said that "as preparatory to the desperate charge on the union lines at Gettysburg, the Confederate artillery, for hours previous to Pickett's historic assault, kept up a terrific cannonading, so the Democratic papers have been used for weeks, for the publication of gaudy stories about Republican colonization, corruption, fraud, &c."

It will be remembered that this was the policy of the Wheeling Register in 1888, when, for weeks before the election, that paper published such stories. This was done to prepare the Democratic mind for the charges of fraud and colonization to be made after election in case the state should go Republican.

The INTELLIGENCER is in possession of evidence that there is a deliberate scheme to cry fraud and colonization in advance to cover up the Democratic plans.

SENDING THE VOTERS AWAY.

A letter from a gentleman at Clifton Forge, Va., which is in the INTELLIGENCER's possession, (and its contents are confirmed by reports at Republican headquarters) says that for the past ten days large numbers of colored men have passed through that place from West Virginia. When questioned as to their destination, they have said that they were going to Virginia for a two weeks' vacation from their work (in Mercer county, West Virginia). All were well supplied with money, and from their conversation it was gleaned that their expenses and time were being paid while making the visit. Information from other sources is to the effect that the money is from the Democratic corruption fund, the design being to keep them out of West Virginia until after election. They are legal voters in this state.

Another bit of information at hand comes direct, and is confirmatory of the charge made against Senator Faulkner, which he has not denied, concerning his scheme of colonization. On the 27th of October a car-load of negroes passed through Elkhorn, going to Logan county, on the Norfolk and Western road. They were from Tennessee and had voting transfers with them. They are known to be in charge of Democrats who will attempt to vote them. In the meantime, Democrats are charging that Republicans are colonizing Logan county. This information is from undoubted authority.

OTHER SCHEMES.

News of one of the latest schemes of the Democratic managers to get the Republican colored voters of the border counties out of the state on election day comes also from Elkhorn. A great bar-becue across the line in Virginia is being extensively advertised to be held on November 8 (election day). The excursion from the Elkhorn region in West Virginia is to be free. Twenty gold watches are to be raffled off. An ox roast and many other good things are among the attractions, and every effort is being made to induce the colored Republicans to take advantage of the opportunity to get a free excursion and free dinner.

From McDowell comes news that warrants are being issued for colored men on trumped-up charges. The matter is given circulation, and, of course, rather than submit to the persecution, the victims leave the county.

DEMOCRATIC "COLONISTS."

In regard to the importation of colored men from Tennessee, in furtherance of the Democratic plan above referred to, the INTELLIGENCER is notified from Radford, Virginia, concerning a party of colored men who were seen while on their way from Tennessee to West Virginia. On being questioned by Republicans, one of the party said that there were thirty of them; they were on their way from Tennessee to West Virginia. Their passage had been paid by the man who had them in charge (a Democrat), and that they did not know whether they were to be given work or not. All they knew was that they were to go inside of West Virginia.

One of the negroes asked if he could vote in West Virginia, and was told that he could not; thereupon he left the party and returned to Tennessee. The INTELLIGENCER's authority, after investigation, gives it as his opinion that the Democratic managers were taking the men to Logan county, where they could vote them and count the votes for the Democratic ticket without interference.

Falling in this, the intention is to cut them adrift and then raise the cry of "Republican colonization." The colored men will be there as evidence. Republicans are investigating this and other similar importations with a view to thwarting the Democratic scheme before election day.

Eastern Democratic papers, and the Wheeling Register, during the past week have contained dispatches purporting to be from Elkhorn and other southern points, reporting that large bodies of Republican negroes have come into West Virginia from Tennessee and Virginia. In some instances these stories coincide with the private information received at Republican headquarters here, to the effect that Democrats are bringing in men, not to the Republican counties of Mercer and McDowell, but to the Democratic county of Logan where all the machinery is in the hands of the Democrats.

A THOUGHTLESS ACT.

A Blazing River, One Life Lost and Two Men Suffering.

PHILADELPHIA, Nov. 1.--A thoughtless act cost one life, much suffering to two men and destroyed \$15,000 worth of property this evening at Point Breeze. The Schuylkill river at Point Breeze is always covered with a scum of oil.

William Miller, Albert Krumbach and Warren Hill, all young men, started in a row boat to cross the river this evening. When about one hundred and fifty feet from the shore, one of the men lighted his pipe and carelessly tossed the blazing stick into the water. As the match fell in the water a burst of flame shot up alongside the skiff, and almost instantly the surface of the river around the boat was blazing fiercely.

The flames of the burning oil licked the gun wales of the light craft and the men realizing that it would be quickly consumed, plunged into the burning fluid around them and started to swim ashore. The fire circle grew larger and spread more rapidly than they could swim, and they found that they were being roasted alive. Hill sank beneath the blazing surface and was seen no more, but his two companions by repeatedly diving and swimming beneath the surface, succeeded in reaching the shore. Both men were horribly burned about the shoulders, head, face and arms. They have been taken to the hospital, where it was said that their condition is critical. The fire in the meantime had spread down the river and the wrecking steamer Maryland was caught, and before the flames could be extinguished, she had been damaged to the extent of \$15,000.

THE FOREST FIRES

Playing Havoc in the Vicinity of Uniontown, Pa.

UNIONTOWN, PA., Nov. 1.--News reaches here this evening that fierce forest fires are raging along the mountains from Ohio Pyle to Delaney's Cave, a distance of twenty miles, and at more than a dozen places on the mountain range fires have broken out within three miles of this place and are spreading rapidly.

The summit, the point at which the National pike crosses the range, is entirely surrounded with fire and will soon be burned over. At this one point valuable tracts of timber land have been wiped out and the fences, stacks and outlying buildings are being destroyed.

The Fires Near Greensburg.

GREENSBURG, PA., Nov. 1.--A forest fire that threatens immense damage is now raging in the mountainous district above Kecksburg, in this county.

The flames swept bare last night many miles square of heavily timbered territory, and today, notwithstanding the desperate efforts made by organized forces to stay their progress, they are moving steadily down the mountains, where much valuable timber and many farm buildings lie in their course.

The Fire spreading.

JOHNSTOWN, PA., Nov. 1.--One of the biggest, and by all odds the most destructive forest fires ever known in this section is raging six miles above Sulphur Springs and farmers and stock raisers will be heavy losers. The fire was started from a hunting camp seven miles from Waterford, in Westmoreland county, before noon last Friday. It has been growing steadily ever since until at nightfall to-day at one stretch on Laurel Ridge there was an unbroken mass of flame ten miles in extent.

OH, JERRY!

That Little Assassination Plot Was Like Senator Faulkner's Colonization Boomerang, Wasn't it?

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Nov. 1.--The Journal's Harper, Kas., special says: At a room at a hotel here occupied recently by Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Simpson a letter was found addressed to Mrs. Simpson, as follows:

"We have not been able to arrange that matter yet but expect to soon."

[Signed] "SWIVELL." It will be recalled "Swivell" was one of the names connected with the alleged expose of a plot to assassinate Jerry Simpson.

Mr. Foster at Martinsburg.

MARTINSBURG, W. VA., Nov. 1.--Secretary Foster, of the treasury department, delivered a political speech here to-night, before a large audience. He was accompanied by Commissioner Mason.

His address was confined almost solely to the tariff and to the wildcat currency plank, as he termed the Democratic plank on the currency subject. His speech was well received and his points liberally applauded.

CONDENSED TELEGRAMS.

An attempt was made yesterday to burn the Star theatre at Cleveland.

It has been announced that Mr. Cleveland will address a Democratic meeting in Jersey City Friday night.

Judge Gresham writes a letter in which he says he will vote for Cleveland, because he is opposed to protection.

Twenty persons living on a farm at Groitsy, a village of Poland, have been poisoned by eating the flesh of a cow that had been suffering with cattle plague.

GAS BOARD FACTS.

This Saves the Trouble of an Investigation.

SECRETARY FRANZHEIM'S CASE.

A Plain Statement of His Shortages While Handling the Funds.

THE AMOUNT WAS \$6,412.24.

He was Brought Before the Board After He Had Gone Out of Office and Made to Pay Back the Money He Had Used for His Own Purposes--The Board Let Him off, But He Has Still an Account to Settle With the People and the Law. Good Reasons Why His Friends do Not Investigate.

Chairman Farrell, of the committee on lights, was seen by an INTELLIGENCER reporter yesterday and asked if a meeting of the Council committee on lights had been called.

"Not so far as I know," "Will one be called to-day?" "I think not." "Why?" "So many other things have been going on that I have not thought much about it. There is time enough for it, I think."

AUDITOR WILKINSON TALKS. He Says a Statement which Appears below is in Accord with the Facts.

Last night an INTELLIGENCER reporter called on Mr. Howard P. Wilkinson, auditor of the gas board, and asked him whether, in view of the failure to investigate, he would not give the public through the INTELLIGENCER a full and impartial statement.

"No," said Mr. Wilkinson, "in view of the investigation that has been ordered I prefer to say nothing. If called before the committee I shall of course make truthful answer to any questions that may be put to me."

"Well, Mr. Wilkinson, while the public is waiting for the investigation and vindication that may never come, the INTELLIGENCER asks you to look carefully over this statement and say whether it correctly sets forth the facts connected with the Franzheim matter."

"Where did you get those figures?" asked Mr. Wilkinson.

"I am not instructed by the INTELLIGENCER to inform you of that. I am sent to ask you first for a statement, and if you refuse to give that to ask you to say whether the statement I have shown you is true or false, part true or part false, or all true and accurate in every item and particular. The INTELLIGENCER simply asks an answer to this question--Is this a true statement of the facts?"

Mr. Wilkinson read the statement and read it again, meanwhile making no comment and keeping his eyes intently on the paper, evidently more engaged with his own thoughts than with facts and figures with which as the gas board's auditor he was already only too familiar. The silence was becoming painful, when the reporter said, "Mr. Wilkinson, you have gone over that paper twice. You certainly know by this time whether it correctly sets forth the discovery of the late secretary's shortages and his payment of those respective amounts to the board as specified and for the reasons and at the times given. What is your answer?"

Mr. Wilkinson thought a second longer. It was evident that he was going through a conflict and laboring under intense embarrassment. He then looked up from the paper, and said: "As near as I can remember the figures, the statement is correct."

"Can you point out, Mr. Wilkinson, any particular in which the statement as to the facts or the figures differs from your personal knowledge of the case in any of its features?" "I can not," replied Mr. Wilkinson.

"Can you explain any of the facts or figures here submitted to you?" "I don't care to enter into any of the details."

"I desire particularly to ask you, Mr. Wilkinson, whether in view of this statement which you declare to be true, you can say anything that would be accepted in vindication of the late secretary of the board or that would make the case appear any better for him?"

"I can not," answered Mr. Wilkinson.

THE STATEMENT OF FACTS.

How Secretary Franzheim's Shortages Came--When and How He Made Them Good.

Following is the statement submitted to Mr. Wilkinson and pronounced by him a correct and truthful narrative of the delinquency in the gas board:

The books in the office of the gas board have not shown correctly the condition of the board's affairs; they have shown a cash balance which the board did not have, and they have not shown certain shipments of products sold by the board, nor have they shown certain monies received in payment therefor.

While A. A. Franzheim was secretary of the board of gas trustees he drew outside of his salary various sums aggregating \$2,773.58, for which he deposited in the cash drawer personal slips, the drawer being in a burglar-proof chest of which only himself had the combination. This amount was, under compulsion of the trustees, refunded by Franzheim December 16, 1891, nearly two weeks after he had ceased to be secretary of the board.

After Franzheim had ceased to be secretary of the board the books covering his term of office showed that the Barrett Manufacturing Company, of Pittsburgh, owed the board \$3,123.50, balance due on coal tar furnished that company. A sight draft for this amount was sent and returned, accompanied by a letter stating that the Barrett Manufacturing Company owed only \$725. This company claimed to have received 6,125 barrels of coal tar amount-

ing to \$18,369, and to have paid \$17,644 on account, leaving a balance due of \$725.

The books of the gas office, as kept by the secretary, showed the Barrett Manufacturing Company charged with 5,738 1/2 barrels of coal tar, amounting to \$17,215.50, and the company was credited with \$14,092, leaving a balance due of \$3,123.50. The differences between the gas board charges, as shown by the secretary's books, and the Barrett Company's credits to the gas board on account of coal tar showed 394 1/2 barrels, amounting to \$1,163.50. The difference between the credits, as shown on the gas works' books, and the debits on the books of the Barrett Company, showed \$2,395.50, leaving to be accounted for \$3,552.

The books kept by the secretary of the gas board, so far as they show anything, show only large aggregate amounts, while they should have shown in detail every shipment made. The books at the gas works, as kept by the superintendent, showed individual shipments to the Barrett Co., and are believed to have shown them correctly. It appears from these comparisons that \$1,163.50 worth of coal tar shipped to the Barrett Manufacturing Co., of Pittsburgh, were never charged on the books of the gas office as kept by the secretary, A. A. Franzheim.

It is vital in this connection to record that the books of Barrett & Co. show the identical amount of \$3,552 to have been paid the gas board December 26, 1890, nearly a year before Secretary Franzheim ceased to be secretary of the board, and more than a year before he made good this shortage. On January 2, 1892, more than a month after Franzheim had ceased to be secretary of the board of gas trustees, he paid, under compulsion of the board, his whole estimated delinquency on account of coal tar sales, amounting to \$3,633.06, this last amount including other coal tar shortages with those represented by the items above given. The total shortage on account of coal tar was \$4,372.50, the difference between this amount and the amount made up being represented by certain allowances on tar account.

It therefore appears that after the resignation of the late secretary of the board of gas trustees, and on two separate occasions thereafter, being confronted by the board with the above mentioned delinquencies, he paid over to the board in two amounts as above specified the gross sum of \$8,412.24.

It was two weeks after Franzheim had ceased to be secretary of the board before he was required to turn over to his successor or to anybody connected with the board the combination of the safe and access to and possession of its contents. This being true, and the correspondence with the Barrett Manufacturing Company not having been opened up to the time of the resignation of Franzheim, the books of course balanced without difficulty. There is believed to have been at no time any trouble to balance the books.

Franzheim, while secretary of the board, was awarded the contract for the purchase of the coal tar of the gas works for the ensuing period of two years at \$3 per barrel. The Barrett Manufacturing Company of Pittsburgh, was the next highest bidder at \$2.65 per barrel, the said company at the time of the letting being under contract to take the coal tar.

The board of gas trustees required of Franzheim a bond to indemnify against loss by his proposed contract. The contract and bond were drawn but never executed by Franzheim. It was therefore necessary for the board to go into open market to contract for the sale of the coal tar product, and the Barrett Manufacturing Company now contracted for the tar at \$2.25 per barrel.

This loss of forty cents per barrel as between the selling price and the price originally offered by the Barrett Manufacturing Company represents on about 7,000 barrels of coal tar a loss to the city of Wheeling of about \$2,800.

A HORRIBLE CRIME.

Terrible Murder Committed in County Kildare in Ireland.

DUBLIN, Nov. 1.--A horrible crime was committed last night in the Royal Irish constabulary barracks at Ballinardina, County Kildare. Constable Pitkington, seized, it is supposed, with a sudden fit of insanity, entered the bed room where Sergeant Logan and his wife were sleeping and shot them with a revolver, killing them instantly. The mad man then turned to the sleeping rooms of Logan's children and attacked them, leaving them all for dead. Two were found to be dead with their heads crushed in, three fatally injured and the remaining two seriously injured. Pitkington then tried to burn the barracks, but the alarm spread and finding himself discovered, he committed suicide. The crime can be traced to no motive and its horrible character points to nothing but a sudden attack of homicidal mania.

DARING ROBBERS

Enter a Bank and Hold Up the Cashier in Broad Day Light.

SPRINGVILLE, KAN., Nov. 1.--About 2 o'clock this afternoon two men entered the Ford County Bank, at this place, and with drawn revolvers robbed Cashier Baird of \$1,500. In their haste the robbers overlooked another large sum in the vault.

As the robbers ran out of the bank and jumped into their saddles a party of hunters came along and learning of the bold robbery, opened fire on them. The robbers returned the fire. About fifteen shots were exchanged but no one was hurt on either.

The robbers rode south, but were soon overtaken by a mounted posse, who had started in pursuit. Another battle ensued in which many shots were exchanged, but the robbers managed to escape. A reward of \$450 has been offered by the owners of the bank for the capture of the men.

Fatal Gas Explosion.

BEAVER FALLS, PA., Nov. 1.--This afternoon about 4 o'clock a terrible gas explosion took place at the residence of Daniel Arthur, in this city. Mrs. Arthur and her two children and the little daughter of Mrs. Hewitt were frightfully burned. One of the children will probably die.

Weather Forecast for To-day.

For West Virginia, Western Pennsylvania and Ohio, rain, cooler Wednesday night; southeast winds; high on the lakes.

TEMPERATURE YESTERDAY.

As furnished by C. SCHNEPP, druggist, corner Market and Fourteenth streets.

QUAY'S OPINION

Of the Outcome of the Election After Careful Consideration.

MR. HARRISON WILL BE ELECTED.

The Peculiar Conditions--He Will be Elected Without New York, If Indiana and Connecticut are Sure, New York Will Do It Without These States--Features of the Registration in New York City. Republicans the Gainers--Democratic Estimates Don't Pan Out.

New York, Nov. 1.--Senator Quay was at Republican headquarters this morning. He had a conference with Vice President Morton and with Chairman Carter, General Clarkson and Mr. Manley. After leaving the conference room Senator Quay was asked to give his views of the situation and his opinion as to the result. He said:

"I leave for Philadelphia this afternoon. I possibly may return, but not necessarily. Coming here on the suggestion of some of the gentlemen engaged in the management of the Republican campaign, who thought my experience in 1888 might be useful in the solution of two or three pending problems. I have gone very carefully through the details of their labor up to the present time and have canvassed with them their propositions for the future. Their administration has been faultless. Their correspondence satisfies me that the sentiment of the country is favorable to a continuance of Republican rule.

"Mr. Harrison will be elected. It is my belief that he will carry the states of New York, Indiana and Connecticut. Existing conditions are such that the electoral vote of New York will elect him without Indiana and Connecticut. Indiana and Connecticut will elect him without New York."

NEW YORK'S REGISTRATION.

The Republican national committee this afternoon gave out an analysis of the registry list of the city of New York, which says in part:

One of the most important facts is that the registration for 1892 below Fortieth street, or in that part of the town where the Democrats are specially strong, is 3,001 less than it was in 1888. Above Fortieth street the registration this year stands 149,303, against 122,314, an increase of 27,049, or 22.12 per cent.

The entire increase in registration, therefore, is above Fortieth street. Comparing the registration by assembly districts, as at present constituted, with the total vote cast in 1891 in these districts, the fact appears that in the districts casting heavy Democratic majorities the increase of the registration over the vote cast is about 25 per cent, while the increase in districts giving a small Democratic or a Republican plurality is about 37 per cent. On the basis of the natural increase over the registration of 1888, there should now be on the registry lists of this city 342,000 names.

But there are only 309,830, and the loss lies in the Democratic districts. In these districts, however, there has been an enormous amount of false and illegal registration.

Undoubtedly as many as 1,500 Democratic repeaters have been registered. Indictments are now being prepared and warrants issued for a host of these characters.

The Republican county committee, by comparing their canvass of the city with the registry lists, have ascertained that substantially the full Republican vote of the city is on the rolls. Allowing for all possible loss, it is reasonably certain that 115,000 Republican votes will be cast, as compared with 105,000 in 1888. The full vote of the city will not be many more than 291,000. If the Democrats obtain 58.5 per cent of the total estimated they will be doing uncommonly well on the situation as it stands to-day. This will give them a vote of 170,000 and a plurality of 55,000.

Michigan's Votes.

DETROIT, MICH., Nov. 1.--The electoral vote of Michigan will be distributed by congressional districts. The districts are fourteen in number, two at large and twelve for the congressional district. The Republicans, according to their figures, will probably choose eight presidential electors, one in the western district at large and in the second, third, fourth, fifth, ninth, eleventh and twelfth districts. The Democrats are conceded the sixth in the eastern district at large and in the first, sixth, seventh, eighth and tenth districts. The People's party and Democrats have fused on one elector in the fourth district. In the sixth and seventh there was a small Republican majority, but conservative men concede that fusion is likely to overcome it. As to the vote on congressmen a conservative estimate gives the first, fourth, seventh and tenth districts to the Democrats by reason of natural majorities, while Republicans claim that the first and fourth are most likely to go in their favor.

California's Election.

SAN FRANCISCO, CAL., Nov. 1.--In addition to voting for President, congressmen and a legislature, California will vote next week on the following propositions: To refund the state debt; to build a depot at San Francisco; an educational qualification requiring every voter to be able to write his own name and to be able to read the federal constitution; election of United States senators by direct vote of the people.

Whether They Will or Not.

DENVER, COLO., Nov. 1.--In the matter of permitting the People's party electors to resign from the Cleveland Democratic ticket, upon which they have been placed as a substitute for the straight Democrats, who were withdrawn, the secretary of state rendered his decision this morning. He holds that he cannot interfere, thus forcing the People's party electors to serve on the Democratic ticket against their will.

McKinley's Triumphant Tour.

UTICA, N. Y., Nov. 1.--People came from all parts of central New York to-day to hear Governor McKinley. He arrived from the east at 1:10 p. m., and was immediately escorted to the Opera House, where every foot of room had long before been filled up. He spoke for two and a half hours, devoting the time mainly to the tariff and money questions. In closing he paid an eloquent tribute to President Harrison.